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For the past thirty years the governors of the state of Florida have been giving complimentary commissions to persons who desire to attend national good roads associations, fairs, expositions, inaugurations, etc. The happy possessor of one of these commissions generally worked up an interest in the concern to which he was commissioned—and, incidentally, if he used his influence to advantage, was the recipient of passes from the railroads, free admission to the grounds, and to the usual courtesies extended to a representative of the state government. The state made no provision for paying such "commissioners," their complimentary commissions were their only compensation. These commissioners attended the meetings and always acted as good advisers for their state. But recently Governor Jennings appointed Tom Weir of Tampa as the "Florida Commissioner to St. Louis," following the precedent set by the past seven or eight governors—and the Tampa Tribune, the Sanford Chronicle and one or two other state papers have been doing great stunts against the governor because of this appointment. Special copies of the Times-Union's demagogue should be sent to these "newspapers." If they can't find better evidence than this against Jennings, they would do well to leave him alone.

An exchange states that the "bicycle fad has run its course," and in support of this statement publishes the fact that the membership of the League of American Wheelmen has fallen from 103,000 to 3,000. The truth of the matter is: As a fad, the bicycle has had its day; as a useful means of transportation it is more popular today than ever before. It has annihilated distance; the business man who formerly thought that he must live within four or five blocks of his place of business, is today, because of the bicycle, living a mile or two away, and is in better health as a result of the exercise he gets and the distance he lives from the "business center." The camera took the place of the bicycle as a fad. The camera is now passing along in due course and "auto mobilizing" has the full attention of those who can afford to own or rent a machine. The horse may perhaps be the next "fad." Fads are healthy. They lend a variety to existence; they bring one out of himself; they make life worth living.

Governor Jennings has come out flat footed in opposition to an exhibit to the St. Louis exposition. The governor states that Florida is not able to make an exhibit that would compare favorably with that of California, by which a half million dollars or more will be spent, and thinks no exhibit at all would be better than a poor one. The governor is right. Let us take the \$100,000 that we would have to spend for any respectable exhibit and put it into a general good roads fund. This amount of money spent in the state, will do more good than a half million spent at St. Louis. If we build good roads, and keep our taxes low as they are at present, the state will build up fast enough. We don't want a boom; we want a good, steady growth.

The clans have begun to gather in Tallahassee for the meeting of the Legislature on Monday next. Volusia county will be represented by Senator Frank W. Sams of New Smyrna and Representatives Chas. Smith of Daytona and T. J. Whitham of Port Orange. None of these gentlemen are speech-mak-

ers, but they generally know when to vote. Captain Sams is one of the best known men in the state and, it is said, can do some powerful log-rolling if he will just stop telling stories long enough.

Col. Bob Davis announces his candidacy for gubernatorial honors. "Our Bob" is very popular throughout the state, but he will not have the walkover for this position that he has had the past few years in his congressional races. But perhaps this is what Mr. Davis wants. Perhaps he has tired of the quiet monotony of walking into Congress, and wants a little strenuousness in his'n. He'll get it.

The flood situation in the Mississippi Valley has grown worse the past few days. The levees are breaking, lives have been lost and much property damaged. The survivors should come to Florida, where our only drawback is an occasional freeze.

THEY STRUCK OIL

New Smyrnaties Thought Their Fortunes Were Made.

From the Breeze.
One day last week some one came up from Hawks Park and reported that the water flowing down south canal was covered with oil; but as we did not know what "brand" the man had been drinking, we concluded that it made him see oil instead of snakes. But when others came and told the same story, one gentleman ventured down alone. Finding that it really was oil on the water, he gathered a quantity of it and sent it off to be analyzed.

On Thursday this gentleman and the editor went down to make a thorough investigation, and going up the canal a half a mile or more, found the fountain head. A cabbage palmetto log had fallen across the canal, and here the oil had collected to a depth of several inches. About this time two other prospectors joined the first two gentlemen, and it was decided that we had "struck it."

A quart can full was secured and brought to town with great care and in a few hours everybody had the oil fever, and everybody, old and young, wise and otherwise, were going to south canal to see the "oil well," and all brought back a sample of the oil.

The oil was there, and in paying quantities, but it was similar in color and had the strong smell of the fuel oil used by the F. E. C. Ry Co. It soon leaked out—we know not how—that several gallons of this oil had been spilled in the canal, and lodging against the cabbage log mentioned before, escaping little at a time, had fed the stream for several days.

Thus our brightest hopes were dashed to the ground, and by the removal of the cabbage log the oil passed into the river, and New Smyrna's first oil boom went down in history.

A Few Random Shots.

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peace." If Mr. Stetson and his "friends" are sincere in their protestations, they will accept the Painter challenge: if they are not trying to injure the University and the town, they will cease their harping, take a pull at the pipe, lay down the hatchet and let the courts settle the trouble. If they are not sincere, they will continue their campaign of vilification and vituperation.

Twenty-seven new pupils registered at the University this term, and no more withdrew at the end of the winter term than last year. This shows that the people of the state have confidence in the president notwithstanding the efforts of the Stetsonites to shake this confidence.

Reply to "Rev." Whitehead.

(The following letter appeared in the Tampa Tribune on Wednesday, in reply to one published in the Tribune on Sunday, and which will probably be republished in the Stetson Bugle today.)

EDITOR TRIBUNE:—

I see by Sunday's Tribune that Rev. R. H. Whitehead, not satisfied with trying to run the Baptists of the state of Florida, control the Board of Trustees of Stetson University, advise and defend the Methodists of the state, now gives the State Press Association just a few hints as to what should be done by your humble servant, the writer. In reply, I want to give Mr. Whitehead a little advice:

(1st.) Sign your name to the next communication you write.

(2nd.) Get rid of the devil of wrath which evidently possesses you; go to some good pastor and get down on your knees and pray for forgiveness and forbearance.

(3rd.) Let other people attend to their business, and you do the same thing.

But, above all, sign your name to an article when you again attack any man, or board, or denomination, in a personal manner.

CHRIS. O. CODRINGTON.

ANDERSON-AUSTIN.

Beautiful Wedding Ceremony of Popular DeLand Couple.

At the First M. E. church Tuesday evening took place one of the most imposing weddings ever witnessed in DeLand, when Mr. C. J. Anderson and Miss Nelle Austin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Austin, were united for life. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Addyman Smith, with the Episcopal ring service. The church was filled with friends of the popular bride and groom, and the entire interior was beautifully decorated for the occasion with ferns, bamboo, etc., and pink and white roses.

The bridesmaids were Miss Edna Stackhouse, Miss Alice Sheldon and Miss Louise Tanner; Mrs. J. G. Sherrill was matron of honor.

Mr. Sage of Jacksonville was the groom's best man.

Little Mildred Watts and Gilmore Ouerbaeker preceded the marriage party to the altar.

The attendants carried bouquets of pink roses, and the bride white carnations.

Mr. J. W. Fudger and Mr. E. Ray Conrad were the ushers.

After the ceremony a large number of invited guests repaired to the home of the bride's parents, where a sumptuous repast was served, and congratulations were given.

The presents were numerous, beautiful and costly.

At midnight the bridal party took a special train—which had been placed at their service through the courtesy of the A. C. Line—and, accompanied by a number of their friends, went to the junction, where the main line train was taken for a short tour to Alabama.

Just as the bride and groom entered the main line train, one of the wedding party called out: "Wake up and see the bride and groom." The passengers aroused themselves from incumbent positions, to the amusement of the party, but not to the principles.

After their tour Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will settle in Sanford, the groom holding a position as conductor on the A. C. Line.

Students Beat the Faculty.

A game of baseball between the Varsity and a team picked from the members of the Faculty was played yesterday, the score being 16 to 12 in favor of the students. The game was exciting throughout, and up to the eighth inning the Faculty team was in the lead. The fact that the professors were not in training accounts for their defeat and they feel sure that with a few days practice the Varsity team would not be in their class.

The crowd was very much disappointed because Prof. Carson had employed a small boy to run for him, and because Prof. Sharp could not connect with the ball enough to get a chance to run.

Dr. Baerecke was on hand with an ambulance and corps of trained nurses, all armed with hand-saws and other surgical instruments. Fortunately no one was injured, although several were nearly overcome by the heat after making runs.

The fielders on the Faculty team worked hard, but did not seem able to catch up with the ball until after it had stopped rolling.

The line-up of the two teams was as follows:

Faculty.	Position.	Varsity.
E. Hall	C.....	Pounds.
F. D. Sears	P.....	Reed.
G. P. Carson	1b.....	Bennett.
E. B. Payne	2b.....	Grisard.
J. A. Smith	3b.....	Inglis.
C. B. Rosa	Sa.....	Hale.
W. A. Sharp	Rf.....	Duncan.
R. J. Macdonald	Cf.....	Mickle.
E. G. Baldwin	Lf.....	Pelot.

In the last part of the game Prof. Carson retired, Mr. Rosa going to first and Prof. Frost taking his place at short.

"Does Mrs. Strongmild believe in the brotherhood of man?"
"Yes, but she doesn't think it's of any importance. She believes in the altherhood of women."—Puck.

Mrs. Mateland—Henry, I wonder if you love me as much as you used to love me before we were married. You never say the pretty things to me that you did in those days.

Mr. Mateland—That's because I love you more than I did then, dear. I love you too much now to lie to you, you know.—Boston Transcript.

Orange City

Orange City, April 1.—Our euchre club for last week met Wednesday evening. Miss Rowell and Mr. Clark won first prize; Miss Fannie Trobridge and Mr. Sperry the consolation. This is three weeks in succession that Mr. Clark has carried off the first prize.

Mrs. Haxton and son, who have been stopping at Palmetto Cottage this winter, left Thursday for their home in the north.

There were about twenty-five of our people and visitors drove to DeLeon Springs on Friday for a picnic. They report a very pleasant time.

Mrs. Dunlap and two sisters entertained the whist club Wednesday afternoon at Palmetto Cottage, where they are boarding.

Miss Eda Folsom and Miss Fanny Eames left Tuesday noon for Port Orange, where they will make a short stay before going north.

Mrs. Baxter and son and Mrs. Kendrick left Wednesday for their home in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Russell of Pittsburg, who has been here for several weeks past, left Monday for his home.

Our Tuesday Evening Euchre Club met as usual in Library Hall. There were nine tables. Mrs. Douglas and Mr. Sperry won first prize, Mr. John Wheeler the gentleman's consolation.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clark and two brothers returned from their trip to Palm Beach and Miami Friday. They think that Southland is a fine country.

We are extremely glad to say that Mr. Squires, who has been very ill for several days past, is very much improved. Dr. Davis of DeLand is his physician.

Miss M. Dickinson, maid and Mr. John Wheeler returned from Coronado Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fawcett and daughter, Miss Drew and Master Charles Fawcett, went to DeLand Tuesday to attend the Anderson-Austin wedding.

Mrs. Bolt and daughter, Marie, left Wednesday noon for their home. They spent the winter here, having rooms in Mr. Wm. Laws' house. They made many friends while here who regret their departure.

Rev. T. P. Warner, the pastor of the Methodist church, will preach a sermon on "Modern Spiritualism" next Sunday night at 7 o'clock. All are welcomed.

Mr. Chas. Stoper gave a lecture in the M. E. church Tuesday evening on "The Liquor Traffic vs. Manhood and the Church." Those that heard it say it was a fine talk and deserving of a larger audience.

ENTERPRISE.

Special Correspondence.

The Village Improvement Society appears to have forgotten to acknowledge the receipt of two subscriptions of \$5 each, sent them by Mrs. G. D. C. Ellis since the first of this year, to aid in the improvement of the streets, etc., in our town.

Stetson is to Blame.

Orange County Citizen, March 28.

John B. Stetson insists that Dr. Forbes shall resign as president of Stetson University, simply and solely because of the scandal in the school. But when it is remembered that Mr. Stetson himself is the chief promoter of the scandal; that he has kept stirring it and continues to do so, his contention is robbed of all its seeming sincerity. John B. Stetson, and not John F. Forbes, is to blame for the condition of things existing in regard to the University. Three times the trouble was adjusted. But Stetson went back on the adjustment every time and continued to use every means possible to stir up all this muck with a view to forcing Forbes out.

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Bleeding Patients.

Casper—Among the ancient doctors bleeding the patient was the first operation in treating a case.
Charles—And now it's the last.—Harvard Lampoon.

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ADDITION TO COLLEGE ARMS.

Lumber Now Being Cut—Work to Begin at Once.

Mr. Stetson has definitely decided to add to the College Arms this summer, and lumber is now being cut at Cairns' mill for this purpose. Work will begin just as soon as the hotel closes. The addition will consist of about 40 rooms with baths. The main portion of the present structure will be raised two stories, and large octagonal towers will set off the exterior view. The bathrooms will be located in these towers, to a great extent. To add two stories to this building is a difficult matter. The new portion will be built over the present roof, and a new roof put on, after which the present roof will be taken out.

The improvements also contemplate a change on the first floor. The rooms on the west side will be taken out and changed into one large music room. There will be a west porch—a promenade porch—28 feet wide, to be surrounded by electric lights and enclosed with sash. Underneath this will be a large children's play room, for use principally in wet weather.

The laundry building will be raised one story and several rooms added.

Besides the above, several baths will be added to rooms already in the house. The plans for the additions were drawn by Ballinger & Parrot, the Philadelphia architects who planned the Stetson hat factory. The work will be under the direct control of a superintendent under these gentlemen. The work will be done by Mr. J. T. Cairns and his carpenter crew.

The College Arms had an immense season this year, Manager Ripley being forced to turn away hundreds. Mr. Ripley will be able to accommodate 60 or 70 more guests next year than he was this. The season at the hotel has been a long one, too, lasting from the first of January up to the present time. The hotel will close next week.

Spring Medicine

There is no other season when good medicine is so much needed as in the Spring.

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